treatment capacity of 695 million litres per day (mld) has been created and an expenditure of Rs. 779.54 crore incurred by Government of India for completion of the projects under the Plan during this period.

(c) and (d) Sewage Treatment Capacity of 1588 mld has been targeted for creation in the X Five Year Plan. Out of 1588 mld. 695 mld. capacity has been created in the first three years of X Plan. During 2005-06, action plan for creation of a total of 564.43 million litres per day (mld) of Sewage Treatment capacity has been drawn. Similarly, during 2006-07, the balance of 328.57 mld. of treatment capacity is proposed to be created. The cost of sharing of the works under NRCP between Central and State Government is in the ratio of 70:30.

Developing FP Units in M.P.

†557. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps being taken by Central Government for the development of food processing units in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) whether there is any Central Scheme to set up such units in Madhya Pradesh; and

(c) if so, the locations identified for setting up such units so that Madhya Pradesh could reap optimum benefit in this sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (c) Government has formulated and implemented several Plan Schemes for development of food processing industries in all States/UTs including Madhya Pradesh. These schemes provide financial assistance for establishment and modernization of food processing units, creation of infrastructure, support for R&D, human resource development besides other promotional measures to encourage development of food processing industries. Under the schemes for technology upgradation/ establishment/modernization of FPIs financial assistance @25% of the project cost in general areas and @33.33% in difficult areas is provided subject to a miximum of Rs. 50 lakh and Rs. 75 lakh respectively. So far 17 projects have been sanctioned assistance in M.P.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Another major scheme of the Ministry is for assistance in setting up of food parks. Assistance is provided @25% of project cost in general areas and @ 33.33% in difficult areas subject to a maximum of Rs. 4.00 crore for provision of specified common facilities. Under this scheme six food parks located in Khargone, Hoshangabad, Chhindwara, Bhind, Mandla and Mandsour districts have been approved.

Reviving FPIs

558. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the food processing industry, which handles only a measly 2 per cent of the total produce in the country is going through a bad patch with paltry fund allocations in recent budgets;

(b) whether the proposed Integrated Food Law, when enacted, is likely to revive the sector; and

(c) the estimated capital outlay needed to get key food processing projects off the ground?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (c) According to an estimate, growth of food processing industries was 7.1% in the last few years of 9th Plan. Growth rate during the 10th Plan is estimated to be 7.3% for a GDP growth of 6%. Government does not setup food processing industries on its own. Therefore, working of food processing industries is not dependent on budgetary allocations.

The proposed Integrated Food Law is likely to create an environment conducive to faster growth of FPI sector.

As per the report of M/s. Rabo India Finance Pvt. Ltd. processed food industry in India should aim to grow at about 10% per annum between 2005 and 2015. The investment required in building the processing capacity, infrastructure and market development is estimated to be Rs. 99,700 crore for this period.